

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1 – 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): A method of preventing, ameliorating, or treating lesions caused by estrogen deficiency in a subject in need thereof comprising contacting the skin of said subject with a cosmetic composition comprising an alcohol extract of cucumber ~~one or more active ingredients and wherein said active ingredients are selected from the group consisting of:~~

(a) ~~a whole plant or a part thereof selected from the group consisting of mulberry bark, ginseng, cucumber, and phellodendron bark;~~

(b) ~~chlorella;~~

(c) ~~an aqueous extract or alcohol extract of a plant or part thereof selected from the group consisting of mulberry bark, ginseng, cucumber, and phellodendron bark; and~~

(d) ~~an aqueous extract of chlorella.~~

Claims 5 – 7 (Canceled):

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 4, wherein said active ingredient alcohol extract of cucumber is an alcohol extract of the immature fruit for cucumber.

Claims 9-11 (Canceled):

Claim 12 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 4, wherein said ~~active ingredient~~ alcohol extract of cucumber is an alcohol extract of the immature fruit of cucumber and wherein the alcohol used for extraction is 1,3-butanediol.

Claims 13-14 (Canceled):

Claim 15 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 4, wherein the total content of ~~active ingredients~~ said alcohol extract of cucumber with respect to the entire composition on a dry weight basis ranges from 0.00001 to 1 wt%.

Claim 16 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 4, wherein the total content of ~~active ingredients~~ said alcohol extract of cucumber with respect to the entire composition on a dry weight basis ranges from 0.0001 to 0.1 wt%.

Claim 17 (Previously Presented): The method of Claim 4, wherein said subject in need thereof is a human suffering from menopause.

Claim 18 (Currently Amended): A method of preventing, ameliorating, or treating lesions caused by estrogen deficiency in a subject in need thereof comprising administering to said subject an internal drug composition comprising an alcohol extract of cucumber ~~one or more active ingredients and wherein said active ingredients are selected from the group consisting of:~~

~~(a) a whole plant or a part thereof selected from the group consisting of mulberry bark, ginseng, cucumber, and phellodendron bark;~~

~~(b) chlorella;~~

~~(c) an aqueous extract or alcohol extract of a plant or part thereof selected from the group consisting of mulberry bark, ginseng, cucumber, and phellodendron bark; and~~

~~(d) an aqueous extract of chlorella.~~

Claims 19-24 (Canceled):

Claim 25 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 18, wherein said ~~active ingredient~~ alcohol extract of cucumber is an alcohol extract of the immature fruit of cucumber and wherein the alcohol used for extraction is 1,3-butanediol..

Claims 26-27 (Canceled):

Claim 28 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 18, wherein the total content of ~~active ingredients~~ said alcohol extract of cucumber with respect to the entire composition on a dry weight basis ranges from 0.00001 to 1 wt%.

Claim 29 (Currently Amended): The method of Claim 18, wherein the total content of ~~active ingredients~~ said alcohol extract of cucumber with respect to the entire composition on a dry weight basis ranges from 0.0001 to 0.1 wt%.

Claim 30 (Previously Presented): The method of Claim 18, wherein said subject in need thereof is a human suffering from menopause.